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BY MR. SULLIVAN AT AD HOC NSC VIETNAM SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING ON 20 FEBRUARY. HE WAS CLEARLY INTRIGUED AND PROFESSED HIMSELF ANXIOUS TO EXPLORE OPERATIONAL POSSIBILITIES AGAINST LEADING ALLIANCE FIGURES THAT REF SUGGESTED. REMAXIMAX POLITELY BUT FIRMLY, I ASSURED HIM THAT THESE POSSIBILITIES HAD NOT ESCAPED OUR COLLEAGUES RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING SUCH OPERATIONS. HE GOT THE MESSAGE THAT IF DEPARTMENT WOULD STAY OUT OF OUR BUSINESS WE WOULD BE BETTER ABLE TO GET ON WITH IT.

2. ABOVE IS SIMPLY FOR YOUR INFORMATION BUT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL HERE IF YOU COULD ADVISE IN DUE COURSE OF ANY STEPS YOU TAKE ON BASIS REF.
THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN THIS SPHERE SO WE MAY KEEP OUR DEPARTMENT

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